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Amendment to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently amended): A method for building a horseshoe of an intended shape in situ, including cleaning the surface of the shoe area of a horse hoof of debris, shaping a temporarily generally malleable mass of paste-like resin on the cleaned hoof surface into generally a solid horseshoe-shape, and locally modifying exposed surfaces of said horseshoe shape on said shoe area surface after general malleability in the resin is lost.

Claim 2 (Currently amended): A method for building a horseshoe of an intended shape in situ, including cleaning the surface of the shoe area of a horse hoof of debris, collecting an unconfined malleable paste-like resin mass beyond said shoe area surface, applying said mass onto the cleaned hoof surface and forming said mass into a generally solid horseshoe-shaped form with a tool having exposed surfaces, and then locally modifying the exposed surfaces of said ~~horseshoe~~ mass to conform said exposed surfaces to said ~~final~~ intended ~~horseshoe~~ shape on said shoe area surface.

Claim 3 (Currently amended): A method for building an animal shoe of an intended shape in situ, including cleaning the surface of the shoe area of debris, depositing onto the cleaned hoof surface a flowable shoe preform comprising a

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malleable paste-like resin mass having a depth and a width of profile generally conforming to said intended ~~shoe~~ shape in said shoe area ~~surface-adhering relation~~, reducing said mass to a solid, non-flowable state to retain substantially all said mass on said shoe area surface, and then locally mechanically modifying said mass to modify with a tool its profile to conform to said ~~final~~ intended ~~shoe~~ shape on said shoe area surface.

Claims 4-13 (Cancelled)

Claim 14 (Currently amended): A method of protecting a horse hoof from ~~a~~ an uneven pressure on the hoof from a horseshoe, including clearing from the hoof all nails and previous shoe, and forming on the cleaned hoof an adherent, solid resin mass that adheres to the hoof surface in shoe-forming relation.

Claims 15-16 (Cancelled)